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## Report of Last Meeting of The Town Councillors

The secretary submitted a report on the tax sale held recently. One owner had paid his arrears. A bid had been received on other properties. All the other properties up for sale were not sold.

A communication had been received from the M.D. of Blackfoot No. 40 regarding the condition of the highway from the Drumheller corner into Ontario. The municipal council was being petitioned to act on this. It is the opinion of those present that the town should support the petition. The secretary was instructed to write the provincial government in regard to this.

A letter from the Calgary Board of Trade was read regarding the companies operating charter commercial air service out of Calgary, and requested information regarding present and future plans. The secretary was instructed to write to the Calgary Board of Trade as to what other towns of the size of Gleichen were doing in this connection, and ascertain what can be done and what is being done.

A note from the Imperial Oil Ltd. was read to the council. The letter was in connection with the erection of a retail service station or a police station on the property formerly used by the Municipal District of Blackfoot for the municipal office. The company had an option on the property and wanted to know if the council would approve of a building of this nature being erected thereon.

The secretary was instructed to advise the Imperial Oil Co. that the council approves of the proposed site for the erection of a retail service station or a police station.

The Western Irrigation District informed the councilors that it was necessary at present to retain the town assessment at \$250 per annum for the use of the irrigation water. The cost of repairing and operating the skating rink was discussed. At the present time the rink belonged to the Athletic Club and there was some discussion as to whether to keep taking over the rink or whether the club would operate it. It was finally decided that if the club should turn the rink over to the town it would consider taking it over and operating it.

The matter of obtaining gravel for the streets was considered, and after some discussion it was suggested that as this had not been provided for in the estimates, the matter be left over for the next year. The councilors works committee took into the matter for next year. They are also to consider the advisability of using oil at the time the graveling was done.

A by-law to appoint an enumerator to take in accordance with the amendment of the Town and Village Act was read and adopted.

## Almost One-Third Mark Reached In Loan Subscriptions

The Victory Loan campaign in the Gleichen-Chuny area is going over much faster than that of the Eighteen Lent. During the first week 35 per cent of the quota was reached by the salesmen. This total was obtained from 89 subscribers.

Below are the names of the local salesmen:

G. W. Burt, F. Hagerty, and W. Stoddard of Gleichen; For Gleichen, Miss F. Woods, W. Blaney, A. F. MacCallum, N. T. Purcell.

"We are greatly impressed and cheered by the splendid way the North Lent Victory Loan sales are going in the rural areas where crop failures have left farmers and fruit growers in a far from favorable position," said a spokesman for the National War Finance Department over the week.

"Both in the several eastern areas where apple crops have had total or near failures and in the western areas where wheat crops have gone same way, sales results so far indicate great interest in Victory Bonds. The reason for this is, despite the tremendous banking suffered by crop

losses, would seem to be this: the past experience of both farmers and orchardists is that having a reserve of Victory Bonds has left them in better shape to surmount the blow of fortune. Now, therefore, they readily accept the additional sacrifice necessary to purchase Victory Bonds as usual, in order to have a reserve against the future."

Nova Scotia General Sales Committee Secretary George G. Purcell stated that, especially in rural areas, there is practically no demand whatever for \$50 Bonds. Apparently because of the two-in-one feature, whereas a \$100 Bond costs no more than a \$50 Bond, and a \$50 Bond did during the six month loans, most applications are for \$100 and up.

A captured Japanese balloon is now on portable display, and will be taken around to rural areas within the next few days.

Ottario's two leaders of all 62 units were both rural. Prince Edward County, first over the wire, in the Eighth Loan had 60 percent of its objective by the first week end of the campaign. Farmers who had fought so hard to buy Victory Bonds had finally decided to use it, and are buying bonds in the one-year period, resulting in a good 1946 crop to carry them through.

A county canvasser, Mrs. Dorothy Fort with husband returned from five years overseas, just before the campaign did, was surprised when she turned up in applications to the value of 120 percent of her quota, then devolved the rest of her time to her husband.

Rural Quebec continues to run substantially ahead of its considerable showing in previous campaigns.

Manitoba General Sales section reports "quite encouraging" prospects generally. Two rural sub-units in that province went over the top first day.

Japanese laborers in the sugar beet fields of Magrath district, South Alberta, asked the privilege of purchasing Victory Bonds and a volunteer loan committee was formed. All the bonds sold were sold to Japanese workers.

Two southern Alberta farm women drove up to Victory Loan headquarters in a wagon and poured the contents of a gunny sack of silver on a table. She went out without her coat and from selling eggs and milk but with \$1,600 worth of Victory Bonds.

For northern Alberta, bedeviled by bad crops, girded their loins to keep the campaign going. In the end, however, the Loan opened they held a series of weekly prayers for good weather during the Loan campaign.

### FROM THE FILES OF THE CALL

#### TWENTY YEARS AGO

S. A. Hall and family left today for Calgary to make their home there in future.

Today a snowstorm put a stop to all threshing operations.

N. T. Purcell has left for a month's vacation in the east.

W. C. Urich returned last week from a short vacation trip to Montana for the purpose of getting better horse than over the border.

Mrs. A. E. Jones returned Friday from visiting friends in Calgary.

W. Danwerth and family left last Saturday for California. Bill has been in poor health.

A. D. Batty who left Gleichen last spring to take a position at the C. P. R. farm at Strathmore has been transferred to Coaldale near Lethbridge to take charge of a farm and to help with the work on the farm.

Joe Marshall arrived in town yesterday from the U.S. with his many young friends. Joe is a Gleichen born boy and all will be glad to know he is making a success of the piano business which is natural as he is a musical boy and can play almost anything.

Some of the crop yields in the Craigburn district differ greatly owing to the location of the land. Some stubble is going from 20 to 26 bushels to the acre while summer fallow runs from 25 to 35 bushels to the acre.

The sloughs are now frozen over and the young folks are spending a lot of their time skating on them.

The area of Mulberry, the floating harbor town to France, was as big as that of the large world disaster. It was 2 miles long and 1 mile square.

## Legion Meeting Discuss Plans For Their New Hall

At a meeting of the members of the Canadian Legion B.E.S.L. which was well attended by young veterans of World War II, the master of a Legion Hall was discussed.

The meeting was informed that the town did not have the building formerly known as the Oddfellows Hall for the use of the veterans, and the master of repairs, extensions, etc., were being drawn up.

A committee was appointed to meet with the Citizens Committee to discuss the building's dimensions. The roof is in a leaky condition and will require a new roof. Other alterations and extensions were discussed and would be further gone into when the two committees meet.

Great enthusiasm was shown by the veterans at the prospect of having a good hall where they could meet together.

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## Bring These 100 MILLION DOLLARS To Alberta

During the next twelve months hundreds of millions of dollars must be loaned to foreign countries so that they can continue to buy in Canada.

It is estimated that over 100 million dollars will be spent right here in Alberta for the products of Alberta farms.

## For Your Own Prosperity BUY VICTORY BONDS

And Buy Them Today  
NATIONAL WAR FINANCE COMMITTEE  
(Alberta Division)

We can produce over night as a cruel foe and people accepted conditions for peace as we did for war if we wish to accept the conditions of war in the campaign. They would not endure in peace. Moreover over 90 per cent of the war bonds were sold to us at a loss. We were able to do so much for peace or better because we were asked by the necessity of crushing.

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## Who Benefits Most From Victory Bonds?

of Canadian factories. In this way the Victory Bonds we buy will help to ensure a higher level of employment by providing markets for Canadian goods.

Men and women who have served in the Navy, Army and Air Force must be re-established in civil life. This is a big job and it will cost money to do, but it must be done and done well. Victory Bonds will help to pay the cost.

And . . . by putting off buying everything we can do without . . . and using our savings to buy more Victory Bonds . . . we will help to keep down prices of things we have to buy . . . we will help to prevent inflation. This, too, is important!

It is announced that there will be only one Victory Loan in the next 12 months. So all of us are expected to buy double this time. The same rate of saving as in previous loans will pay for twice as many bonds over the 12-month period.

### LOCAL WAR FINANCE COMMITTEE

T. H. BEACH, Chairman.

A. F. MacCALLUM, Vice-Chairman.

MISS F. WOODS, Secretary.

W. J. PHYTHIAN, Unit Organizer.

HEADQUARTERS, TOWN N OFFICE

Phone No. 7

### FARMERS CAN BUY VICTORY BONDS ON CONVENIENT DEFERRED PAYMENTS

#### THROUGH ANY BANK

... just sign a short form letter with your bank. Your bank will then order the bank to buy Victory Bonds for you. Pay 5 percent when ordering the bonds and the balance at any time during the next 12 months. The interest the bonds earn pays the interest on the bank loan.





